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## Who is Killing Members of a Modern-Day Vampire Cult?

And What are They Doing to Ensure Their Victims  
Never Walk the Earth Again?

### *Lilith: Demon of the Night*

When a man walks into a Catholic church just prior to the start of a funeral service, stuffs garlic into the deceased's mouth and pumps a bullet into the corpse, NYPD Homicide Detective Louis Martelli is as puzzled as he's ever been on a case. No stranger to the macabre, Martelli is even more mystified by Deputy Coroner Michael Antonetti's findings, which confirm that the deceased, far from having died of respiratory failure and a possible heart attack, was murdered by someone who injected him with a lethal dose of Philippine Cobra venom. When other, similar deaths are uncovered in and around New York City, the investigation conducted by Martelli and his partner, Detective Sean O'Keeffe, takes a decidedly morbid turn, leading to the discovery of a modern-day vampire cult, a woman named 'Lilith,' and a serial killer with a score to settle. Who is behind the killings, and can Martelli and O'Keeffe stop him before he kills his last victim and makes good his escape? The answers to these and other questions will be found in this gripping, modern-day tale of vampirism unlike any you have read.



Cohen was inspired to write this novel after a friend in the book industry challenged him to write a vampire romance novel. "They're all the rage these days, Ted," she told me. "And haven't you been to the movies lately to see some of the *Twilight Saga* movies? Seriously, you should try your hand at a novel of this genre."

"I laughed," said Cohen. "Truth be told, I was itching to write another novel, though books on romance are not my strong suit. Then I thought, what about writing one that featured my character NYPD Detective Louis Martelli . . . one that combined a modern-day detective story with something as old as

vampirism? That seemed both interesting and challenging, especially after I did some research on the subject of vampires. Once I started the novel, it took ten, 14-hour days to lay down a first draft, which in the end represented 80% of the final manuscript.

“Now, even given that vampires are the figment of our imagination, people from many cultures throughout history have considered them real. As such, a large and colorful history has grown up around the legends associated with these creatures. To the extent this novel discusses vampires, it stays true to the legends. As well, it cites a real case of vampirism uncovered some years ago in Europe, so one has to wonder . . . could cults such as those described in the novel actually exist?”



“I think my readers will enjoy *Lilith: Demon of the Night*. The book will take them to places in their minds most have never visited. And when all is said and done, isn't that the purpose of a novel? By the way, for those who read my first two Detective Louis Martelli, NYPD, mystery novels, this book not only will reveal more about Lou, but also, will reveal, for the first time, information on his partner, Detective Sean O'Keeffe, who has stayed in the background until now.” Finally, Cohen noted that as was the case with his previous novel, *House of Cards*, *Lilith* uses adult language.

Other books by Theodore Jerome Cohen: *House of Cards: Dead Men Tell No Tales*, is based on real events related to the 2008 financial crisis precipitated by the housing bubble. An earlier novel of the same genre, *Death by Wall Street: Rampage of the Bulls*, focused on corruption within the food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the incompetence of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Dr. Cohen's Antarctic Murders Trilogy describes what happened following a robbery of the Banco Central de Chile in Talcahuano in May, 1960. The trilogy comprises *Frozen in Time: Murder at the Bottom of the World* (Book I), *Unfinished Business: Pursuit of an Antarctic Killer* (Book II), and *End Game: Irrational Acts, Tragic Consequences* (Book III). Dr. Cohen's first novel, *Full Circle: A Dream Denied, A Vision Fulfilled*, which is based on his life as a violinist, was published in 2009. Finally, Dr. Cohen has published more than 350 papers, articles, columns, essays, and interviews, and is a co-author of *The NEW Shortwave Propagation Handbook* (from CQ Communications).

Dr. Cohen's novels are either available from your favorite online retailer. (*Lilith* contains adult language.)

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